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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attention: Deshawn Durham

In re Application of:
YARON MAYER

Serial No. 10/615,981

Filed: July 10, 2003

For: Printer capable of printing simultaneously on both sides of the page.

Payment for additional claims fee.

I have already submitted on Dec. 5 by EMS express mail, as requested in your notice of Oct. 6, a replacement printing of the specification with more line spacing and consecutive numbering of the pages. I was not aware of any problem with the page numbering of the original papers that were filed, but anyway the pages in the replacement printing are correctly numbered.

Your notice of Oct. 6 to file corrected application papers regarding the above application explicitly listed payment for the additional claims under items required to avoid processing delays and not under items required to avoid abandonment. I was also clearly told for example by Deshawn Durham already a few months ago that such a notice indeed means that not paying for the excess claims only leads to processing delays (since I will get a new notice to pay for the claims when it gets to examination) but DOES NOT lead to abandonment. I was also told by her on the beginning of December that the policy about paying for excess claims has changed in the last 3 months and that this is why in applications filed since August the new notices require to pay for excess claims to avoid abandonment. However, she explicitly told me that this new policy refers only to new applications with the new notice and that in earlier applications, in which I got a notice that lists payment for the excess claims under items to avoid processing delays, the new rules DO NOT apply.

However, in spite of the above, just to be on the safe side I am faxing you now the payment of \$180 for the additional claims + \$55 petition for extension of 1 month. However in view of the above I should not be charged for the 1 month extension fee.

Thank you very much,

Yaron Mayer.

Yaron Mayer Jan. 6, 2004